## **Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 131**

## **RESOLUTION CHAPTER 33**

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 131—Relative to Historic Highway Route 94.

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 131, Anderson. Historic Highway Route 94.

This measure would designate a specified portion of Highway Route 94 in San Diego County as Historic Highway Route 94 and would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Highway Route 94 was previously known as Campo Road or Old Route 200, which began as foot trails, and with great labor was improved to accommodate wagons and stagecoaches, and, until 1918, was the main artery road from San Diego, California to Yuma, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, In 1829, the trails provided access to the Jamul Rancho owned by Governor Don Pio Pico; and

WHEREAS, In the 1880s, Campo Road provided necessary and difficult access for the back-country pioneers to San Diego to sell their products and secure needed supplies; and

WHEREAS, The first telegraph line from San Diego to Arizona followed the general route of Campo Road in 1874; and

WHEREAS, The first horseless carriage trip on Campo Road from San Diego to Campo and back was made in 1904 by John Gay of Lakeside; and

WHEREAS, The early Campo Road was used by the United States Military during the Mexican Revolution in 1911, during World War I, and extensively during World War II for support of Camp Lockett located in Campo; and

WHEREAS, Camp Lockett was the last home of the famous Buffalo Soldiers of the 10th Cavalry of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, On August 21, 1933, the title to Old Route 200 was transferred to the State of California and renamed Highway Route 94; and

WHEREAS, The beginning of Highway Route 94 at the time of transfer was in Lemon Grove at North Avenue and Imperial Avenue (now Lemon Grove Avenue), continuing through Spring Valley, Jamul, Dulzura, Cottonwood Grade, Potrero Grade, to Campo, then easterly along Campo Creek and terminating at the junction of State Highway Route 12 at White Star, a total distance of about 66 miles; and

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WHEREAS, The San Diego and Arizona Railway, the last transcontinental rail link built in the United States, which was completed in 1919, crosses Highway Route 94 in five locations, two at grade and three by bridge, and generally follows Highway Route 94 all the way to Yuma; and

WHEREAS, Highway Route 94 is an important transportation corridor, and has outstanding natural, cultural, historic, and scenic qualities; and

WHEREAS, It is therefore appropriate to recognize a portion of Highway Route 94 for its historical significance and importance in the development of California and to designate that portion as Historic Highway Route 94; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of Highway Route 94 from the junction of Jamacha Road in Rancho San Diego to the eastern terminus at the junction with Historic Highway Route 80 in Boulevard as Historic Highway Route 94; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the department is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with signing requirements for the state highway system showing the special Historic Highway Route 94 designation, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources for that cost, to facilitate the erection of those signs at appropriate locations on Highway Route 94; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the designation of Historic Highway Route 94 pursuant to this resolution shall have no impact upon the future planning or development of adjacent private and public properties; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.